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BICENTENNIAL CALENDAR

MAY THRU NOVEMBER 1976

CONTINUOUS ACTIVITIES

The Little Red Schoolhouse Committee is leaving a lasting gift in the form of a scholarship fund.

Hobart ARBC Sales Center: Cooperative center for local groups selling Bicentennial items.

Ballantyne Gallery of Artisans and Craftsmen and other historical exhibits.

Hobart Historical Society
Museum

706 E. 4th Street

Saturdays, 10:00 a.m. to
3:00 p.m.

Other hours by appointment

Downtown Hammond Council is furnishing all Hammond businesses and professionals with a Bicentennial poster on which we are asking them to trace their roots, traditions and history in Hammond. It is an effort to make people aware of Hammond's place in the Bicentennial. On these posters we are encouraging people to display pictures, paper clippings or any memorabilia they have collected. This project started last July and will continue until July 1976.

Any school, student, club, organization or individual who participates in a 1976 Bicentennial event can receive a Braid Award.

Register with:

Ruth Braid Programs, Inc.
P.O. Box 1976
Schererville, IN 46375

The award is a certificate and colorful uniform braid to wear. This award is available in any community during 1976.

MAY 1

SATURDAY

Cedar Lake Jaycees are sponsoring a "Beard Contest" May 1-31. A winner will be chosen in June and prizes will be awarded at the 4th of July festivities. All proceeds will go to the Bicentennial Commission to help offset festivities expenses for the 4th of July.

MAY 10, 11, 12

MONDAY, TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY

The Bicentennial Wagon Train Pilgrimage to Pennsylvania will be in Dyer (May 10), Valparaiso (May 11) and LaPorte (May 12). This pilgrimage will cross the country west to east as one wagon for each state hooks up and rolls eastward. More information should be available from your local library. The Great Lakes Train will arrive via Route 30 from Illinois.

MAY 11

TUESDAY

7:30 p.m.

Hobart Schools Music Festival.
Hobart High School Auditorium.
All-school Bicentennial exhibits and musical program.

MAY 16

SUNDAY

8:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

Cedar Lake Volunteer Fire Department and Womens Auxiliary will sponsor a pancake breakfast with the Bicentennial theme at the fire station.

MAY 17

MONDAY

7:30 p.m.

Regeneration Musical Group.
Merrillville High School.

MAY 20-23

THURSDAY-SUNDAY

Quilt Show at Barker Civic Center in cooperation with LaPorte County Bicentennial Commission.

MAY 23

SUNDAY

Cedar Lake Junior Womens Club will have their dedication of the "Touch Stone Trail" for the blind at Lemon Lake County Park. This dedication will culminate three years of work on this. The dedication will be in the afternoon.

MAY 27-JULY 6

Bicentennial Exhibit.
Art loan from Indianapolis Museum
of Fine Arts. "Lincoln and His Time."
Also song written by Lincoln.
Merrillville High School.

MAY 30

SUNDAY 2:00 p.m.

Dedication of Old Settlers Cemetery
restoration. Reception following at
Hobart Historical Society. Dedication
of one of Hobart's lasting reminder
projects. Location: U.S. 51 near
12th Street. Sponsored by the Hobart
ARBC.

JUNE 26-27

10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

SATURDAY, SUNDAY

Hobart Tri Kappa will sponsor an
Arts and Crafts Fair at the Hobart
High School grounds.

JULY 2, FRIDAY

3:00 p.m. to dark

JULY 3, SATURDAY

10:00 a.m. to dark

An Old Fashioned Bicentennial
Celebration will be held in Hess-
ville Park, 173rd and Kennedy.
Activities will include: Raising
our Country's Colors, King and
Queen Contest, Authentic Costumes
Contest, Poster Contest, Little
Red School House Tours, Square
Dancing and Music from 7:00 p.m.
on (Friday), country store, talent
show, and booths which will include
games, refreshments, crafts, art,
a Kangaroo Court and jail, etc.
Grand finale will feature a six-
piece Dixieland Band and the cutting
of a huge birthday cake and sing-
along. Courtesy of American Feder-
ation of Musicians Local 203.

JULY 3

SATURDAY 7:30 p.m.

Bicentennial Ethnic Choir Program.
Merrillville High School Auditorium.

JULY 4

SUNDAY

Hobart's July 4th Celebration will
include a daylong schedule of events.
Parade at 2:00 p.m. Sponsor: Hobart
Chamber of Commerce, 18 Ridge Road,
Hobart.

SUNDAY

Evening fireworks.
Merrillville High School.

JULY 4- JULY 5

SUNDAY, MONDAY

Cedar Lake activities will begin on
July 3, Saturday evening with a
dance. July 4 will have a fun fair
festival with booths, tug-o-war,
sack races, money in the haystack,
watermelon eating contest and bike
race. Booth set ups will include
games of chance, handmade items
food, drinks and bingo. The annual
boat parade will also be held on
the 4th along with the "Crowning
of the Queen." Sky divers will
jump into the lake. Sunday, the 4th,
evening will include the great Cedar
Lake Senior Citizens Kitchen Band
giving two evening concert per-
formances. Fireworks will be on the
night of the 4th. July 5 will again
include games and concessions for
the day, along with the judging of
a cake baking contest with the cakes
to be raffled off. A contest will be
held for the oldest Cedar Lake res-
ident born in Cedar Lake, still
living in Cedar Lake. Winner to be
awarded a prize at the conclusion
of the land parade. A country and
western band's "jam session" will
conclude Sunday evening festivities.

JULY 10

SATURDAY

Cedar Lake Cadet troupe #454 (Scouts)
will hold a dedication to LaRose
Surprise--the only identified Indian
buried in Lake County. The girls
traced her history, leading them to
her marked grave site. LaRose Sur-
prise died on July 10, 1876.

AUGUST 18

WEDNESDAY

7:30 p.m.

Hammond Downtown Council presents
a Bicentennial Evening in Harrison
Park. A two hour concert will be
presented utilizing local talent,
hopefully tracing the history of
music from about the Civil War
Period.

AUGUST 21-22

SATURDAY, SUNDAY

Those with sailboats will be inter-
ested in "Operation Sail" at
Michigan City.

SEPTEMBER '4

SATURDAY

A Bicentennial Flower Show will be
held at the Hobart Historical
Society Museum, sponsored by the
Hobart Garden Club.

SEPTEMBER 25

SATURDAY

The Cedar Lake Chapter of Sigma
Kappa Pi Sorority (City Council)
will be sponsoring a square dance
as a Bicentennial celebration.

NOVEMBER 5,6,7

FRIDAY, SATURDAY, SUNDAY

"A Panorama of PTA Heritage--Re-
flection and Rededication," will be
an exhibit at the Woodmar Mall,
6508 Indianapolis Blvd., Hammond,
Indiana. Sponsored by the Hammond
Council of Parent-Teacher Associa-
tions.



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